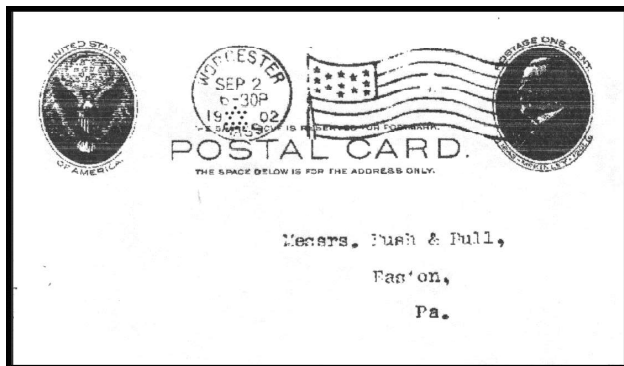

Punched Postal Card Preview of Perfins?

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Here are front and back views of a postal card I picked up from a private local source. It was the only 'perfin' among various items of this period. It was not in the hands of a stamp collector. Note that the postmark is Sep 2, 1902. Perfins were not legal until 1908, but here is an example of an earlier one. I doubt that it was punched at a later date.



I remember Bush and Bull. They were one of two fine department stores in Easton. I believe that they closed during the 1940s, as there were no family members to carry on. The design does not exactly match des#33 in the catalog or my copy of that design. It is really close, but not exact.

